

IN THE CLAIMS:

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1. (Amended) An alcohol-free antibacterial wipe comprising:
a flexible fabric substrate containing a latex binder; and
an aqueous antibacterial solution, wherein said aqueous antibacterial solution is
comprised of an effective amount of a cationic antibacterial agent and a surfactant in
an amount sufficient to produce a wet feel to a consumer without further wetting, and
said binder is present in at least about 90% of the substrate thickness.

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7. (Amended) A method of preparing an alcohol-free antibacterial wipe which
comprises
(i) preparing a solution of a cationic antibacterial agent, a surfactant, and
water; and
(ii) applying said solution onto a flexible fabric substrate containing a latex
binder, wherein said binder is present in at least about 90% of the substrate thickness
and wherein said surfactant is used in an amount sufficient to produce a wet feel to a
consumer without further wetting.

Remarks

Reconsideration of the captioned application as amended herewith is respectfully
requested.

This Amendment is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination
in lieu of filing an appeal brief in response to the Notice.

The Office Action rejected claims 1 – 8 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being
unpatentable over United States Patent No. 6,153,208 to McAtee, et al. ("McAtee") in
view of United States Patent No. 6,149,926-A to Venkitaraman, et al. ("Venkitaraman").
Claims 1 - 8 are pending in the application after entry of this response.